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ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE LEGAL AND TECHNICAL COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION C, ARTICLE 163, PARAGRAPH 7, OF PART XI OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Council is invited to note that Mr. Toshio Sakasegawa (Japan), member of the Legal and Technical Commission ("the Commission"), resigned from the Commission on 21 July 1998, for family reasons. Mr. Sakasegawa was elected a member of the Commission on 15 August 1996 for a term of five years.

2. In accordance with article 163, paragraph 7, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea ("the Convention") and rule 80, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the International Seabed Authority, in the event of death, incapacity or resignation of a member of the Commission prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Council shall elect for the remainder of the term, a member from the same geographical region or area of interest.

3. Article 163, paragraph 3, of the Convention and rule 81 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council provide that members of the Commission shall have appropriate qualifications in the area of competence of the Commission, and States Parties shall nominate candidates of the highest standards of competence and integrity with qualifications in the relevant fields so as to ensure the effective exercise of the functions of the Commission.

4. By a note verbale dated 23 July 1998 from the Embassy of Japan in Jamaica, the Government of Japan informed the Secretary-General of the Authority of the nomination of Mr. Yuji Kajitani, expert in geology from the Metal Mining Agency of Japan, as candidate for the election to fill the vacant seat on the

Commission. The curriculum vitae of Mr. Kajitani appears in the annex to the present document.[1]

[1] The curriculum vitae of Mr. Kajitani is reproduced as received, in the original language of submission.

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL

Name	Mr. Yuji Kajitani
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OFFICE

Employment	Metal Mining Agency of Japan (MMAJ)
Position	Director, Mine Pollution-Control Technical Development Division, Technical Development Department
Address	Tokiwa Bldg., 1-24-14, Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-0001, Japan Tel.: 81-3-5512-1397 Fax: 81-3-5512-1428

EDUCATION

1978	Master of Science in Geology Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan
1976	Bachelor of Science in Geology Yamaguchi University, Yamaguchi, Japan

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

3/1978-9/1980	Joined the Metal Mining Agency of Japan Detail Geological Survey Division of Geological Survey Department
10/1980-7/1983	Hida Branch Office
7/1983-3/1986	Geological Survey Division of Overseas Activities Department
4/1986-3/1988	Deputy Project Manager for Manganese Nodule Mining System Program, Agency of Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI)
4/1988-1/1990	Deputy Director, Mine Pollution-Control Technical Development, Division of Technical Development Department, MMAJ
2/1990-3/1993	Resident Representative of MMAJ Manila Office

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4/1993-9/1994	Deputy Director, General Affairs Division of General Affairs Department
9/1994-12/1996	Director, Planning and Research Division of Mineral Resources Information Centre
1/1997-present	Director, Mine Pollution-Control Technical Development Division of Technical Development Department

MEMBERSHIPS/ASSOCIATIONS

The Society of Resource Geology (Japan), Councillor

The Association of Mineralogy, Petrology and Economic Geology (Japan)

INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED (Selection)

1987	Head of the Japanese delegation at the Committee Meeting between Japan and France on Manganese Nodule Mining Technology, Toulon, France.
1989	Participant, the First International Ocean Technology Congress, Honolulu, United States of America.
1992	Participant, Asia-Pacific Mining Congress, Manila, Philippines.
1997	Head of the Japanese delegation at the Committee Meeting between Japan and the United States on Environmental Impact Research for Manganese Nodule Development, Seattle, United States of America.
1997	Participant, International Symposium on Environmental Studies for Deep-Sea Mining, Tokyo, Japan.
1997	Participant, the Second ISOPE Ocean Mining Symposium, Seoul, Republic of Korea.
1998	Head of the Japanese delegation at the Committee Meeting between Japan and the United States on Environmental Impact Research for Manganese Nodule Development, Seattle, United States of America.

MAIN PUBLICATIONS

"Manganese Nodule Development", Proceedings of the Eighth Ocean Symposium, the Society of Naval Architects of Japan, pp. 177-184, 1988. (in Japanese)

"The Japanese Manganese Nodule Mining System", Ocean Resources, vol. 2, pp. 41-44, Kluwer Academic Publishers, Netherlands, 1990.

"Manganese Nodule Development and Marine Environmental Preservation", Proceedings of the Mining and Materials Processing Institute of Japan, pp. 39-42, c2, 1997. (in Japanese)

"Summary of the Japanese Environmental Study for Manganese Nodules Development", Proceedings of the International Symposium on Environmental Studies for Deep-Sea Mining, Tokyo, Japan, 20-21 November, pp. 11-21, 1997.

"The Japanese Environmental Impact Research for Manganese Nodule Mining", Proceedings of the Second ISOPE Ocean Mining Symposium, Seoul, Republic of Korea, 24-26 November, pp. 131-138, 1997.

I affirm that the above statement is true and correct in every respect.